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- (1) \$150 per student for each regular semester;
- (2) \$75 per student for each summer session of eight weeks or longer; or
- (3) \$50 per student for each term of the summer session of less than eight weeks.
- (d) Revenue from a fee charged under this section shall be deposited to the credit of an account known as the University of Houston-Clear Lake Recreation and Wellness Facility Fee Account.
- (e) The board of regents may increase the amount of a fee charged under this section, except that the board may not increase the amount of the fee to an amount that exceeds by more than 10 percent the amount of the fee charged during the preceding academic year unless the amount of the increase is approved by a majority vote of students enrolled at the university participating in a general student election held for that purpose.
- (f) The recreation and wellness facility fee is not considered in determining the maximum amount of student services fees that may be charged under Section 54.503.

SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this Act takes effect September 1, 2015.

Passed by the House on April 30, 2015: Yeas 134, Nays 5, 1 present, not voting; passed by the Senate on May 25, 2015: Yeas 27, Nays 4.

Approved June 17, 2015.

Effective June 17, 2015.

# FEE IMPOSED ON CERTAIN PROPERTY OWNERS BY A COUNTY FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF STREET LIGHTS ALONG A COUNTY ROAD

## CHAPTER 660

H.B. No. 3002

#### AN ACT

relating to the fee imposed on certain property owners by a county for the establishment of street lights along a county road.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

- SECTION 1. Section 280.003, Transportation Code, is amended by amending Subsection (b) and adding Subsections (d), (e), and (f) to read as follows:
- (b) The commissioners court of a [the] county may by order provide for the establishment of street lights along a county road located in a subdivision. The order may provide for:
  - (1) the installation, operation, and maintenance of the street lights by:
    - (A) the county; or
    - (B) another public or private entity with which the county may contract;
  - (2) the imposition of a fee on landowners in the subdivision who benefit from the street lights;
    - (3) the collection of a fee imposed under this subsection by [:
      - [(A)] the county tax assessor-collector[; or
      - [(B) another public or private entity with which the county may contract]; and
  - (4) any other matter the commissioners court finds necessary to the installation, operation, or maintenance of the street lights.

- (d) The county tax assessor-collector of a county in which a fee is imposed under this section shall include the fee in the tax bill prepared under Section 31.01, Tax Code, for each landowner whose real property is benefited by the street lights for which the fee is imposed. The tax bill must separately state the amount of the fee imposed under this section. The county tax assessor-collector shall collect the fee for the county in the same manner that the county tax assessor-collector collects ad valorem taxes for the county.
- (e) A commissioners court may obtain a lien against real property benefited by the street lights for which a fee is imposed under this section to secure payment of the fee. To obtain the lien, the commissioners court must file a notice with the county clerk of the county in which the property is located that includes:
  - (1) a statement that the fee has been imposed on the landowner and the amount of the fee;
  - (2) a legal description of the property on which the lien is to be attached sufficient to identify the property; and
    - (3) the name of the landowner, if known.
- (f) The lien authorized by this section exists in favor of the county. The lien attaches to the real property on the date the notice of lien is filed with the county clerk. The lien is inferior to a mortgage lien recorded with the county clerk before the date the lien authorized by this section attaches to the property. A county may not foreclose a lien authorized by this section if the lien is the only lien attached to the property.
- SECTION 2. The changes in law made by this Act apply only to a fee imposed by a county under Section 280.003, Transportation Code, as amended by this Act, on or after the effective date of this Act.

SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2015.

Passed by the House on May 15, 2015: Yeas 124, Nays 15, 2 present, not voting; passed by the Senate on May 26, 2015: Yeas 25, Nays 6.

Filed without signature June 17, 2015.

Effective September 1, 2015.

# AUTHORITY OF A VENUE DISTRICT TO ACT AS AN ENDORSING MUNICIPALITY OR ENDORSING COUNTY FOR PURPOSES OF GAMES OR EVENT TRUST FUNDS; AUTHORIZING A FEE

#### **CHAPTER 661**

H.B. No. 3402

#### AN ACT

relating to the authority of a venue district to act as an endorsing municipality or endorsing county for purposes of games or event trust funds; authorizing a fee.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

SECTION 1. Subchapter E, Chapter 335, Local Government Code, is amended by adding Section 335.078 to read as follows:

Sec. 335.078. VENUE DISTRICT AS ENDORSING MUNICIPALITY OR COUNTY. (a) A venue district located in a county with a population of 3.3 million or more may act as an endorsing municipality or endorsing county under Chapter 1507, Acts of the 76th Legislature, Regular Session, 1999 (Article 5190.14, Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes).

(b) A venue district acting as an endorsing municipality or endorsing county under Chapter 1507, Acts of the 76th Legislature, Regular Session, 1999 (Article 5190.14, Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes), shall remit for deposit into the trust fund established for